

# Franklin Round UP

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## NEW LOOK FOR BUCKLAND

Residents of rapidly growing Buckland are delighted to welcome a new family business to their area. The Buckland Store combines three businesses - a dairy, tearooms and takeaways and is

run by owner Lenis Katavich and his children Andrea, Simone and Matthew, backed by a strong group of family and friends. The Buckland Tearooms was created to bring back a touch of tradition and nostalgia, specialising in home made baking and cooking. Delights like Devonshire Tea, sweet iced cupcakes, mini club sandwiches, dainty creamed fingers, heart shaped shortbread, home made soups and warm winter lunches. Along with a great barista, the family has a knowledgeable background in food and customer service.

Locals and passers-by have been quick to take advantage of the convenience of the dairy, while there has been much interest in the tearooms, its Art Deco décor and traditional fare.

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Picture - Kylie and Simone welcome you to Buckland Store.

## DOBSY PIPPED BY PRINCE ANDREW IN HUNGARY

Paul (Dobsy) Dobbs headed off to Austria, en route to the Isle of Man, with all his riding gear and clothes for five months squashed into two bags. After a 27 hour flight to Salzburg and a six hour drive across the Hungarian border, he and friend Thomas arrived at the Pannonia Ring Circuit.

“The first night we stayed in the track hotel, which is made out of shipping containers. It had the noisiest beds ever and the ambience of a prison. We spent the rest of the nights in a tent, colder, but much more comfortable. We unloaded the bikes, both 1930s Norton Internationals, ready for the practice day, only to be told that Prince Andrew had booked the circuit for the whole day so he and his friends could play in their Ferraris and Porsches. He said we could have a session, but he lied.

“So, I made some basic changes on the bikes and we used the local go-kart track to practice, alongside kids on minimots and super-motads – it drew quite a crowd. When we finally got onto the track, there were only modern bikes there, apart from our Nortons. Thomas put in a 2min 27sec lap, some 3secs under the lap record, while I managed a 2min 25sec lap on the older Norton.



## INDICATING AT ROUNDABOUTS

Roundabouts are a prominent feature of our local traffic scene that are designed to improve traffic flow and limit crashes. They work best when drivers know the rules that apply to them and comply with those rules. The most important thing to remember is that you are not the only one using the road and what you

intend to do at a roundabout is important to other drivers and pedestrians. So please indicate your intentions. If you travel through a roundabout you must always indicate left at some stage, i.e. when you are about to leave it. This applies if you are simply turning left, going straight through, turning right or going back the way you came. In the last two instances you must also indicate right before you enter the intersection.

On our small roundabouts there is little time to give the correct indication so think about it and practice until it is second nature. It might save you an insurance claim at least.

Noel Surrey, Community Constable

## MAORI NEW YEAR CELEBRATED THIS MONTH

For the first time Franklin Arts & Cultural Trust (FACT) is to hold a celebration of Matariki, the Maori New Year from June 5 – 18 with a variety of activities, workshops and performances all related to the Maori culture.

Maori artists (visual and performance), schools, iwi groups and other interested individuals or organizations from the Franklin district will help make this a spectacular event.

During the festival, an exhibition of Maori Art will take place at FACT's New Zealand Steel Gallery, offering an opportunity for local Maori artists to promote their art.

In addition to the exhibition, there will be live performances such as school Kapa Haka performances, flax weaving, song and dance, Maori stories for children, and haka for all. There will also be hands on sessions to make a hangi or learn to cook Maori food the traditional way without any modern tools... plus many other activities.

Most of the events will be hosted at Franklin: The Centre, in Pukekohe, with some held in other towns.

There will be a dawn viewing, providing a wonderful opportunity for everyone to learn traditional sighting of the stars with the local Kaumatua.



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## Hair Design

Style by Charmaine Kenny (left)

Style by Krystal Quested (right)

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